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## In Over His Head



SENIOR AIRMAN DARNELL CANNADY

*Tech. Sgt. Manuel Laureles, 8th Services Squadron, bobs for apples in an octopus-filled tank during the 2006 Kunsan Fear Factor competition. Laureles bested five other servicemembers in a variety of physical tasks and eating challenges to reign supreme as champion of the contest. For more pictures from the competition, see Page 18.*

## Korea units win DA deployment awards

By Pfc. Fay Jakymec

8th U.S. Army Public Affairs

In the age of the war on terrorism, perhaps nothing has become more important to the Army than the ability to deploy its units rapidly and effectively.

For Fiscal Year 2005 two units from Korea took top honors and received awards May 15-19 at a banquet held in Alexandria, Va. The 305th Quartermaster Company from Yongsan Garrison took first place in the small unit category and the 728th Military Police Battalion located in Daegu took top honors in the large unit category.

"It was pretty significant in that people aren't used to deploying off of Korea, so it was good recognition to

show that the force here is pretty adaptable. A lot of people put a lot of hard work into it," said Capt. Sean Wood, 498th Corps Support Battalion — the parent unit of the 305th Quartermaster Company.

In order to recognize organizations that have accomplished this challenging feat, the Department of the Army annually awards the Deployment Excellence Award to deserving units and installations.

The objective of the award is to enhance unit and installation deployment skills and proficiency, to share innovative deployment initiatives and to capture deployment training trends.

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## Yongsan kennels take 'top dog' awards

By Pfc. Tyechia Price

8th MP Brigade Public Affairs

**YONGSAN GARRISON** – Yongsan's K9 kennels proved their excellence by winning the Top Kennel award in the 3rd annual USFK Canine Competition May 22-26.

"It took a lot of dedication and heart. No one gave up and everyone had a great attitude," said Staff Sgt. Douglas Walker, NCO in charge of the Yongsan K9 kennels.

Twenty-eight dog teams from both Korean and American militaries participated in the weeklong event in various categories such as narcotics and explosives detection, obedience, criminal apprehension, endurance and agility.

After weeks of preparation and a barbeque given by host kennels, the competition kicked off.

"We knew there were going to be around 30 dogs going through the competition, so the kennels together worked nonstop during the day to prepare for the visitors," said Walker.

The first day of events included the narcotic and explosive detections. The dogs searched with their handlers for the hidden items in vehicles, warehouses and buildings.

The next day, obedience and aggression were the tasks teams contended in. Dogs took

commands from the handlers at various locations before navigating a course of hurdles and tunnels.

Part of the team's scores came from response and positions, as well as overall execution. "The judges look at everything, the response time, finding the narcotics and explosives, and the way the handlers are able to understand their dogs through their [the dogs] actions," said Sgt. 1st Class Andrew Baxter, military working dog program manager.

After obedience tests, teams displayed aggression. Being paired with another team member, handlers released their dogs, presenting bite techniques and dog speed.

As the final test, the fitness course tested the physical endurance of both the dogs and their handlers.

"We trained for a month building rapport and stamina with our dogs during PT," said Sgt. Christopher Jasper, a K9 handler from Yongsan.

Jasper and his dog, Brett, won first place for the endurance course.

The course included push-ups, a run, loading kennels into vehicles and low crawling under vehicles.

At the conclusion of the competition Col. Falkner

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PFC. TYECHIA PRICE

*Sgt. Michael Cooley, Yongsan Kennels, looks on his military working dog, Aires bites down on a protective sleeve worn by decoy Sgt. Pablo Perez also from the Yongsan Kennels during the aggression segment of the USFK Canine Competition. The 3rd annual competition, held in Yongsan, hosted 30 dog teams during the week-long event, May 22-26.*



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## Exercise your right to be heard – vote!

Voting is a basic right and privilege we should not take lightly. Our Soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines, Department of Defense civilians, invited contractors, technical representatives and their eligible family members deserve every opportunity to participate in the electoral process.

As of today, there are 150 days until National General Election Day, Nov. 7. Of course there are frequent and meaningful local, county and state elections across America all the time in which we are all encouraged to participate.

All commanders and staff principals should have a copy of the March 15, 2006, USFK Chief of Staff memorandum and Implementing Instructions for the Conduct of the USFK 2006 Voting Assistance Program. You can find these documents on a link on USFK's Web site homepage ([www.usfk.mil/usfk/index.html?/usfk/vap/contents.html](http://www.usfk.mil/usfk/index.html?/usfk/vap/contents.html)). This link

also provides information for downloading the Federal Post Card Applications and Federal Write in Absentee Ballot. The PFCA is used for registering and requesting an absentee ballot and the FWAB is used when an absentee ballot has been requested, but not received.

You should register and request an absentee ballot no later than Sept. 1, for the National General Election. Completed absentee ballots must be postmarked and mailed not later than Oct. 15.

By now every unit USFK-wide should have a voting assistance officer identified. VAOs have a vital task in emphasizing the importance of the upcoming general election and ensuring that all eligible personnel are afforded every opportunity to exercise their right to vote through voter registration and absentee balloting.

Commanders and leaders down to first line supervisors need to be

involved and support this program. The DoD sanctioned Overseas Citizens Voters' Week (July 2-8) and Armed Forces Voters' Week (Sept. 3-9) are excellent times to push VAP information in your communities. These time periods provide an excellent forum for educating our fellow citizens, especially our young service and family members, who may be exercising their right to vote for the very first time. We want to make this an educational as well as a memorable event for them.

Public affairs offices and the American Forces Network in Korea are force-multipliers and key to a successful information campaign. Commanders and VAOs are encouraged to utilize these resources to the maximum extent possible.

I encourage all of our Soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines, DoD civilians, invited contractors, technical representatives and their eligible family members to exercise this important right. Remember, one person with one vote can make a



Gen. B.B. Bell  
United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/U.S. Forces Korea commander

difference.

We go together!

General, U.S. Army  
Commander

Below is a list of individual state primary and runoff election dates. Though some elections have already taken place, voters from each state are encouraged to contact their unit Voting Assistance Officer and take steps to participate in future elections.

State	State Primary	State Runoff	Senate	Representatives	Governor
Alabama	June 6	June 27	No	7	Yes
California	June 6	June 26	Yes	53	Yes
Iowa	June 6		No	5	Yes
Mississippi	June 6	June 27	Yes	4	No
Montana	June 6		Yes	1	No
New Jersey	June 6		Yes	13	No
New Mexico	June 6		Yes	3	Yes
South Dakota	June 6	June 20	No	1	Yes
Maine	June 13		Yes	2	Yes
North Dakota	June 13		Yes	1	No
South Carolina	June 13	June 27	No	6	Yes
Virginia	June 13		Yes	11	No
Utah	June 27		Yes	3	No
Georgia	July 18	Aug. 8	No	13	Yes
Oklahoma	July 25	Aug. 22	No	5	Yes
Kansas	Aug. 1		No	4	Yes
Tennessee	Aug. 3		Yes	9	Yes
Colorado	8-Aug. 8		No	7	Yes
Connecticut	8-Aug. 8		Yes	5	Yes
Michigan	8-Aug. 8		Yes	15	Yes
Missouri	8-Aug. 8		Yes	9	No
Nevada	Aug. 15		Yes	3	Yes

For the National General Election Nov. 7, individuals should register and request an absentee ballot no later than Sept. 1. Completed absentee ballots must be postmarked and mailed not later than Oct. 15. For information, visit [www.usfk.mil/usfk/index.html?/usfk/vap/contents.html](http://www.usfk.mil/usfk/index.html?/usfk/vap/contents.html)

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Alaska	Aug. 22		No	1	Yes
Wyoming	Aug. 22		Yes	1	Yes
Guam	Sept. 2	7-Nov.		1 Delegate	Yes
Florida	Sept. 5		Yes	25	Yes
Virgin Islands	Sept. 11	25-Sept.		1 Delegate	Yes
Arizona	Sept. 12		Yes	8	Yes
Delaware	Sept. 12		Yes	1	No
District of Columbia	Sept. 12			1 Delegate	
Maryland	Sept. 12		Yes	8	Yes
Minnesota	Sept. 12		Yes	8	Yes
New Hampshire	Sept. 12		No	2	Yes
New York	Sept. 12		Yes	29	Yes
Rhode Island	Sept. 12		Yes	2	Yes
Vermont	Sept. 12		Yes	1	Yes
Wisconsin	Sept. 12		Yes	8	Yes
Massachusetts	Sept. 19		Yes	10	Yes
Washington	Sept. 19		Yes	9	No
Hawaii	Sept. 23		Yes	2	Yes
Louisiana	Nov. 7	Dec. 9	No	7	No
American Samoa		Nov. 21		1 Delegate	No
Puerto Rico					No

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## NEWS & NOTES

### Army Birthday Ball Set for June 16

The 8th U.S. Army announces the 8th Army Birthday Ball, 6 p.m. June 16, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Seoul.

The event is hosted by Lt. Gen. David P. Valcourt, commanding general, Eighth United States Army. Gen. B.B. Bell, commanding general, United States Forces Korea, will be guest speaker for the event. Entertainment will consist of video footage of 8th U.S. Army warriors in action, an Army vocalist, a streamer ceremony featuring period uniforms, a DJ and dancing to close out the night.

Another highlight of the event will be the announcement of 8th U.S. Army's NCO, Soldier and KATUSA of the Year for 2006.

Uniform for the night's event will be mess dress, dress blues, or formal Class A uniform (with white shirt and black bow tie) for Soldiers. Comparable appropriate civilian attire is required for civilians. Transportation will be provided from various locations on Yongsan Garrison as well as from Hannam Village. All shuttles are scheduled to depart the ball and return passengers to the place they originally boarded the bus.

Tickets are available now for \$35. Everyone interested in attending should see his or her unit representative or contact Sgt. Maj. Pia Thompson, at 723-4007 or e-mail [pia.thompson@korea.army.mil](mailto:pia.thompson@korea.army.mil).

### Army Birthday 5K Run

Eighth U.S. Army will sponsor a 5K run in celebration of the Army's 231st birthday. The event will begin at Collier Field House, Yongsan Garrison, June 16. Registration will take place 7:30-8:30 a.m., with the race beginning at 9 a.m. Road guard vests are required for all participants. Free T-shirts will be awarded to the first 300 finishers.

### Warrant Officer Recruiting Team Visits

A Warrant Officer Recruiting Team will brief on qualifications and application procedures for becoming U.S. Army warrant officers. Monday thru June 24, the team will visit Yongsan Garrison and camps Humphreys, Carroll and Henry. For information on Henry or Carroll, call 768-7154; on Yongsan Garrison, call 724-6330; and at Humphreys, call 753-7598.

### IG Positions Available

The United States Forces Korea and Eighth Army Inspector General's Office is looking for officers and NCOs who desire to become inspectors general in Area II. Soldiers in the rank of major (branch immaterial) and Sgt. 1st Class (MOS 42A/42L and 92Y) are sought to serve as inspectors general. There is also an opening for an IG position in the rank of captain at Camp Humphreys. For information, call Lt. Col. Levern Eady at 725-6739.

## Air Guard deploys to Kunsan

# Three F-16 wings deploy to ROK

By Senior Airman Stephen Collier

8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**KUNSAN AIR BASE** — Elements of the 150th, 140th and 120th Fighter Wings from the New Mexico, Colorado and Montana Air National Guards, respectively, have deployed here during the past week in support of their individual Air Expeditionary Force rotations.

The ANG units, renamed the 186th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron and nicknamed the "Rocky Mountain Coalition," have integrated into the Wolf Pack in support of each unit's individual training requirements. Commander of the squadron, Lt. Col. Mark Scharf, said each air guard unit was looking forward to working with their active-duty hosts.



AIR FORCE STAFF SGT. MATT SCHWARTZ

*A deployed crew chief guides an F-16 from the New Mexico Air National Guard's 150th Fighter Wing, commonly referred to as "The Tacos," into place before bedding down. The 150th FW recently deployed to Kunsan Air Base along with the 140th and 120th FWs, from the Colorado and Montana ANGs, respectively, where they formed the 186th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron as part of their Air Expeditionary Force rotation.*

"We bring members from [each unit] together to form the 'Rocky Mountain Coalition' to train in Korea and participate as a valued member of the Wolf Pack," Scharf said.

The colonel added he has several goals for the members of the 186th EFS.

"Each of us are AEF partners, giving us the chance to work together," he said. "Not only will we work together, but [we'll do it] in an environment we haven't been together in as a group. Many of our pilots haven't flown outside the U.S. We will integrate and be ... a normal member of this wing."

Each ANG unit, primarily from temperate areas of the United States where the training weather is normally a dry heat, is now working in a humid, muggy environment. Scharf added the different conditions make Kunsan a great training opportunity.

The deployment, not unlike those to Southwest Asia, will be a busy one for the 186th EFS. As the unit becomes fully operational in the coming days, it will take on the same operations tempo the 35th and 80th Fighter Squadrons based at Kunsan experience every day. Chief Master Sgt. Roy Hannah, 186th Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron NCOIC, said the goal of each deployed member is to go anywhere in the world to fly and fight.

"These three units under the AEF concept can go anywhere, and we are doing that right now," Hannah said.

When asked about performing the Wolf Pack's mission of "Taking the Fight North," Hannah said the training his maintenance personnel were receiving allows them to fight side by side with the Wolf Pack.

"If our assets are needed, we'll be right there [with the 8th Fighter Wing]," he said. "That's what it means to integrate."

Scharf added the "individual effort" hospitality Kunsan has given to his Guard members has been outstanding.

"There is always an organized effort at bases, which is nice, but this unit is [all about] the individual effort from the folks that come over and just offer to help," he said. "Everyone is busy, but the folks from transportation, communications and other offices are ready to support us. It's a lot of work for them and we appreciate it."

# Army streamlines service uniforms to one blue Army Service Uniform

## Army News Service

**WASHINGTON** — Army service uniforms will be streamlined to one blue Army Service Uniform, the Army announced Monday.

"World-class Soldiers deserve a simplified, quality uniform. The blue Army Service Uniform is a traditional uniform that is consistent with the Army's most honored traditions," said Sgt. Maj. Of the Army Kenneth O. Preston.

"We have all of these variations of uniforms — green, blue and white," said Army Chief of Staff Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker. "It makes sense for us to go to one traditional uniform that is really sharp and high quality and which Soldiers will be very proud to wear. And that's what we've done by adopting this blue Army Service Uniform that reflects simplicity, quality, utility and tradition."

Many Soldiers already own an Army blue uniform (now to be

called the Army Service Uniform) and may continue to wear it.

Improvements will be made to the fabric and fit. Reduction of the number of uniforms will reduce the burden on Soldiers for purchases and alteration cost.

Introduction in the Army Military Clothing Sales Stores should begin in fourth quarter of fiscal year 2007. Introduction in the Clothing Bag should begin first quarter 2009. The Mandatory Possession Date is expected to be fourth quarter fiscal year 2011.

A wear-out date for the Army Green Class A and White dress uniforms will be determined at a

later date.

The consolidation of Army service uniforms is part of a streamlining process. In 2004, the Army reduced the number of battle dress uniforms from three to one when it adopted the Army Combat Uniform in place of the Woodland Green Battle Dress Uniform (winter and summer versions) and the Desert Combat Uniform. That uniform consolidation has been a resounding success in terms of soldier acceptance and reducing the variety of combat uniforms with which they must deal.

Army Blue as a uniform color traces its origins back to the National Blue and was first worn by Soldiers in the Continental Army of 1779.

Besides tradition, the Army Service Uniform reflects utility,



## Awards

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Nominations were open to any Active Army, Army Reserve, Army National Guard units or fixed military installations that, with a deployment or deployment support mission, have demonstrated the ability to deploy or support a deployment in an exceptional manner during the competition year time frame.

Units compete in one of the three categories: deploying unit, supporting unit and installation.

The deploying unit category is further divided into the large unit (battalion and above to brigade/group level) and small unit (company and below, teams and detachments).

The areas that the committee looks at when determining who deserves the award are very specific.

"They had a pretty long checklist involved, but basically it was everything that you were supposed to do in regards to deploying a company; from all the paperwork and it also included the pre-deployment training program and also the personnel side, so everything that it take to get a unit from Korea or stateside to the theater of operations," said Wood.

The ability of units stationed in Korea to deploy on short notice was put to into practice by the 728th MP Bn.

"One of the things that set [us] aside from the other units that we competed with was the short notice deployment that we sent our platoons

***"It shows the hard work and dedication that went into the unit ... that had to deploy."***

***Capt. Frank Pescatello***



COURTESY PHOTO

*Lt. Gen. Ann Dunwoody, center, presents Capt. Sean Wood, officer in charge, 498th Corps Support Battalion, parent unit of winner 305th Quartermaster Company and Staff Sgt. David Kim, 498th Corps Support Battalion S-1, with the Deployment Excellence Award.*

to Operation Iraqi Freedom on. We received a warning order approximately Sept. 20 of 2004 to have approximately two platoons ready to deploy to Iraq with 30 days notice," said Capt. Frank Pescatello, HHD, 728th MP Bn. "Basically we set those two platoons up for success by having them do all their mandatory training to include a 10-day block leave and live-fire exercise within that 30-day window."

"It shows the hard work and dedication that went into the unit, both at the battalion staff level and the Soldier level, of the platoons that had to deploy," he added.

Winners of the DEA award received a plaque from the Chief of Staff of the Army and two unit members received a round-trip ticket to Alexandria, to accept the award and to attend a banquet with senior Army officials including the Army Vice Chief of Staff and the Army Deputy Chief of Staff.

## K9

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Heard III, 8th MP Bde. commander, handed awards to the winning dogs and K9 handlers for the individual competitions.

Organizers said this year's competition was the largest yet, with next year's competition looking to be

even bigger.

"We already have other Korean national agencies from outside of the Seoul area interested in the next competition. This will expand to a peninsula-wide event," explained Baxter.

## Uniform

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simplicity and quality.

■ In utility, the blue Army Service Uniform provides a basic set of components that allow Soldiers to dress from the lowest end to the highest end of service uniforms with little variation required.

■ In simplicity, the blue Army Service Uniform eliminates the need for numerous sets of green Class A uniforms, service blue uniforms and, for some, Army

white mess uniforms (and tunics, for women). Streamlining various service uniforms into one Army Service Uniform reduces the burden on Soldiers in the same manner that the Army Combat Uniform (ACU) did for the field utility uniform.

■ In quality, the blue Army Service Uniform is made of a durable material that is suitable for daily use without special care.

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Command Sgt. Maj. Hector Colon wraps the colors during the 509th inactivation ceremony June 2. The inactivation event is one that marks the retirement of the battalion colors for the last time.

## 509th Personnel Services Battalion cases colors

By Jim Cunningham

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP CASEY**—The 509th Personnel Services Battalion wrapped their flag at 10 a.m. June 2.

“We pray that even though it may be a sad day for some, we pray that you will bless each Soldier here as you have blessed them in the past, bless them in the future as they go to serve in various units,” said Chaplain (Maj.) Mark Frederick, Fires Brigade, as he gave the last invocation for the 509th.

It was indeed a sad day for some, as tears and memories were rendered in the remarks.

“The inactivation event is one that marks the retirement of the battalion colors for the last time,” said 2nd Lt. Lauren Lachner, narrator of the ceremony.

The command sergeant major passes the colors to the battalion commander. The battalion commander lowers the colors and the command sergeant major to case the colors. The battalion commander then passes the cased colors to the group commander symbolizing the relinquishing of responsibility for the battalion. The group commander then returns the colors to the command sergeant major who retires the colors from the field.

There were lots of memories recited in the remarks from Commander Col. Jayne Carson.

“Today is a sad day for the Army and for the Army Adjutants Generals Corps, as we case the colors of this great warrior’s first battalion, and bring to a close another chapter in the history of the 509th,” Carson said. “The 509th was a well-trained and well-lead Army unit, I was impressed with how serious you were. The mail never stopped nor did the inbound and permanent change of stationing Soldiers.”

Furthermore, these warriors found time to voluntarily sponsor two Korean orphanages.

“On May 1, most of the Soldiers standing before you reported to their new assignments, spread out between two brigades and two battalion headquarters in the 2nd Infantry Division,” she said.

“They are reassembled today to pay a final tribute to their command and colors. The inactivation of a unit is a solemn event, and the casing of the colors is just plain sad.

“It is important to remember that the casing of the colors can be temporary, and many of you may find yourselves serving once again under the 509th colors,” Carson said.

“I stand before you today full of pride in these great warriors,” said Lt. Col. Alan Bernard, 509th PSB commander. “What you see in formation represents but a fraction of the nearly 500 Soldiers, Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army [Soldiers] and civilians

who have been part of the Warriors 1st Battalion since June 2004.

“Their accomplishments are significant,” he said. “They deployed more

than 4,300 Soldiers of 2nd Brigade combat teams to Iraq, insuring the casualty documents and manifests were correct. They seamlessly relocated personnel service support and postal support for more than 1,500 Soldiers with the closure of the western corridor.”

The 509th published PCS orders for 4,100 Soldiers from 2nd Brigade combat teams in the absence of levy briefs while they were in Iraq, and transferred their military personnel files and promotion records to Fort

Carson, Colo., Bernard said.

“They ... processed more than 8,000 Soldiers in addition to the 4,300 that were deployed,” Bernard said. “They conducted two division-wide and two Army-wide personnel asset inventories. They won the 8th U.S. Army Supply Excellence Award for 2004. They hosted the first ever Junior Career Fair for 2ID and Area I. They include personnel readiness across 2ID with fast team support for exercises in gunnery and on location record updates ultimately reducing outdated paperwork. They flawlessly executed 509th’s first ever convoy live-fire exercise.”

They conducted battle focused training at all levels, ultimately validating a key status in all mission central tasks, Bernard said.

The battalion sponsored more than 130 children in two Korean orphanages, with weekly visits and assistance with English lessons and special event celebrations for Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. They participated in the USO Virtues Program; in fact, Master Sgt. Hammond, one of their own, coordinated all volunteer activities for these great programs throughout the Dongducheon area schools.

“Finally, they planned and executed a controlled, deliberate inactivation of 509th Personnel Support Detachment -- turning in all equipment without loss or error,” Bernard said.

“They reassigned or relocated all U.S. Soldiers, KATUSA [Soldiers] and civilian employees,” Bernard said. “Soldiers, your achievements are truly monumental; you have stayed focused and motivated. You are warriors first and champions always, I am honored to have been your commander.”

There are still big plans for the outgoing Bernard. He is going down to U.S. Forces Korea Joint Staff Personnel to work as the deputy J1.

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**Lt. Col. Alan Bernard**  
509th PSB commander



## NEWS & NOTES

### Mitchell's Airing World Cup Series

Mitchell's will be airing the World Cup Series soccer on its wide screen televisions June 13 from 10 p.m. until the Korea versus Togo game is complete. Mitchell's will also open its doors at 3:30 a.m. June 19 to air the 4 a.m. game against France. Breakfast buffet will be eggs, bacon, sausage, toast and coffee for \$4.95. Mitchell's will close after the game for its monthly facility maintenance.

### Camp Stanley Hosts Appreciation Day

Camp Stanley will host an appreciation day block party at the Camp Stanley Community Activities Center Saturday beginning at 2 p.m.

### Free Bowling for Soldiers

Free bowling for Soldiers will be offered at Camp Casey Lanes effective Monday and will continue through Aug. 31. It will be offered weekdays from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. except holidays.

### ASAP Clinics in Area I

The ASAP clinic is located at Camp Casey, Building S-0802. For information, call 730-4172. On Camp Stanley, the clinic is at Building T-2425, call 732-5455

### Texas Hold'em Tournament

Calling all poker fans! Just when you thought you couldn't wait any longer ... round four of the series has been set. Mark your calendars for June 24-25 at Camp Red Cloud's Mitchell's Club. Sign-up now at [www.crcmwr.com](http://www.crcmwr.com).

### Warrior Division Track and Field Championship

The Warrior Division Track and Field Championship will be held at Camp Casey's Schoonover Bowl Saturday. Race day registration begins at 8 a.m. Competition begins 9:30 a.m.

### Warrior Division Swimming Championship

The Warrior Division Swimming Championship will be held at Camp Casey's Hanson Pool June 17. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Competition begins at 10:05 a.m.

### Sunday Poker Tournament

A poker tournament is scheduled at the Camp Stanley Community Activities Center, 1 p.m. Sunday.

### Summer Basketball League

There will be a unit-level Summer Basketball League game tonight at the Camp Red Cloud Fitness Center. The game will begin at 6 p.m.



JIM CUNNINGHAM

Capt. Nichelle Ruffin (facing) takes the colors from Lt. Col. Terry Hodges, Camp Casey garrison commander, to take command of Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Casey. Ruffin replaces outgoing commander, Capt. Jason Piechowiak.

## Ruffin takes command of HHD, USAG Casey

By Jim Cunningham

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP CASEY** — The change of command ceremony for the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment at Camp Casey June 2 began with an announcement that the outgoing commander, Capt. Jason Piechowiak, was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for his work as commander of HHD.

At the heart of the ceremony is the passing of the guidon, or the unit's colors. The flag of colors for a military unit is described as the spirit or soul of the unit. It symbolizes the colors under which it fights. From the earliest times, both savage and civilized people have displayed a banner to identify the specific unit and to serve as a rallying point for their troops when in battle.

Sgt. 1st Class Richard Henry received the guidon, or colors, then passed them to the outgoing commander. Piechowiak passed the guidon to Lt. Col. Terry Hodges, the Camp Casey garrison commander, who then passed them on to Capt. Nichelle Ruffin, incoming commander. When she accepted the colors, she took command of HHD.

The pride and respect for the HHD was reflected in the comments made during the ceremony.

"I was really surprised at how hard the garrison Soldiers and civilians worked," Piechowiak said. "I had no idea, being combat arms."

"I now have a newfound respect for what everyone standing around here does every day, day in and day out, especially here on the front lines

in Korea."

Piechowiak was truly a superb commander, Hodges said. "He always made sure the mission was successful regardless of the difficulties, that included the mobilization of the 2nd Brigade. Also, when needed, he was the operations officer for the Director of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security, and who could never forget his joint proficiency badge. He set the standard in leading his Soldiers and Korean Augmentation to the United States Army Soldiers in the Noncombatant Exercise.

"The standards you set in leading your detachment were unparalleled," Hodges said. "We are equally excited in welcoming the new commander, Capt. Nichelle Ruffin, for her outstanding support of our public works."

"Capt. Ruffin, as you prepare to take command, it is more than just a mission in execution of your [Mission Essential Task List]; it's about taking charge and taking care of our most precious resources, the sons and daughters of the United States of America in Korea," he said.

"This is the most important charge that I leave with you today. The rest is hard work and safe operation, grade, resource, and support from all, which will take care of itself."

"I commit wholeheartedly to giving 110 percent of my best self to support, sustain and undoubtedly achieve the garrison mission," Ruffin said.

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Capt. Nichelle Ruffin greets visitors and well wishers at the reception for the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Casey Change of Command ceremony June 2.



Col. Forrest Newton, Area I commander, looks on attentively during the Change of Command ceremony.



# Camp Casey hosts 10 miler

By Jim Cunningham

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP CASEY**—The 10-mile run closed Saturday morning with a new team to go to Washington, D.C. 10-mile competition for the U.S. Army.

“We developed this race, since 1990, to select two teams to participate in the Army’s Ten-Miler,” said Tom Higgins, Korea Region sports program manager for Morale, Welfare and Recreation. “The teams are a joint effort among Area I, 2nd Infantry Division and the 8th Army.”

Soldiers that run the race will go to the Association of the United States Army Convention in Washington, D.C., and represent the 8th U.S. Army in the Army’s 10-mile run and in the 8th U.S. Army booth at the convention.

“This year’s race is capped at 24,000 participants in the final race,” Higgins said. “There are close to 19,000 already registered.”

There will be two active-duty Army teams representing the 8th Army, one in the men’s military open, and one in the women’s military open.

“We will compete for the commander’s award in both categories,” Higgins said. “We used to compete in a coed category and we won that category four years in a row. Then we switched to these two categories. These categories are the most competitive. Our teams have finished between third and fifth every year. Every year it gets more competitive.”

The 8th Army runners have been among the fastest in the Army for several years, in fact, if it were not for a suspicious package last year, the runners for 8th Army may have won the event.

“Last year there were no results because there was an alert related to a package left on a bridge in Washington, D.C., so the runners were diverted and there were no results,” Higgins said.

“We had six of the top 20 finishers last year, so we believe we actually won that event last year in the men’s category, but there were no results.

“We have three of those runners back today in the men’s category and three women runners back,” he said.

Korea Region MWR will retain 80 percent of the cost for this event. AUSA will retain approximately 10 to 15 percent of the cost.

“MWR will be providing the temporary duty travel, the plane flights and the hotel,” Higgins said.

There were 114 participants in this 10 miler and 24 were women.

In the Women’s Division, Women’s Open (29 years and under), Capt. Elsa Bullard of 188th Military Police Company, from Camp Walker, took first place with a time of 1 hour, 11 minutes and 12 seconds. Capt. Jennifer Cannan, 2-2D Aviation, K-16, took second place with a time of 1 hour, 11 minutes and 33 seconds. Capt. Tiffany Smith, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command, Camp Walker, took third place with a time of 1 hour, 21 minutes and 9 seconds.

In the Women’s Senior (30 to 39 years) Beck Patten, a civilian from Seoul, finished first with a time of 1 hour, 7 minutes and 35 seconds. Warrant Officer Olga Elliott, Detachment B, 516th Personnel Support Command, Camp Humphreys, placed third



JIM CUNNINGHAM

*When the gun fired, 114 participants began the 10-mile run at Camp Casey Saturday. This run is preliminary to the U.S. Army Ten-Miler at the U.S. Army Convention in Washington, D.C.*

with a time of 1 hour, 15 minutes and 37 seconds.

The Women’s Master (40 years and more) was won by a civilian, Cindy Heckerl, from Department of Defense Dependent Schools, Yongsan Garrison, who finished with a time of 1 hour, 16 minutes and 28 seconds. Lt. Col Elizabeth Bierden, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2ID, Camp Red Cloud, took second place with a time of 1 hour, 21 minutes and 54 second; and civilian Mary Murphy of the 8th U.S. Army in Yongsan, took third place with a time of 1 hour, 55 minutes and 53 seconds.

In the Men’s Division, the fastest time for race was 54 minutes, 50 seconds in the Men’s Masters category (40 years and more) ran by Lt. Col Marty Muchow from Defense Logistics Agency, Camp Walker.

In the Men’s Open (29 years and less) first place went to Staff Sgt. Clinton Mercer E Company, 2-52D General Support Aviation Battalion, Camp Humphreys. Spec. John Rodrigues, 307th Integrated Theater Signal Battalion, Camp Carroll, placed second with a time of 1 hour and 42 seconds. 1st Lt. Joshua Parker, Company A, 1-72D AR, Camp Casey, placed third with a time of 1 hour, 1 minute and 13 seconds.

In the Men’s Seniors Division (30 to 39 years) Maj. Samuel Volkman, Far East District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Osan Air Base, placed first with a time of 55 minutes and 10 seconds, Sgt. 1st. Class Paul Lancaster, 36th Signal Company, Camp Walker, placed second with a time of 57 minutes and 30 seconds. Civilian Jeffrey Furner of Seoul American Elementary School, Yongsan, placed third with a time of one hour and 52 seconds.

For the Men’s Masters Division (40 years and more) Muchow placed first; Command Sgt. Maj. Mark Sullivan, 176th Finance Battalion, Yongsan, placed second with a time of 1 hour, 1 minute and 10 seconds. Civilian Patrick Noble, 19th TSC, Camp Henry took third with a time of 1 hour, 8 minutes and 30 seconds.

“This is one of the keystone running events in the U.S. Army’s Ten-Miler,” said Lt. Col. Terry Hodges, garrison commander, Camp Casey. “This run is a key event and will set the pace for the 8th U.S. Army 10-miler team.”



*Tom Higgins, Korea Region sports program manager for MWR, gives the briefing before the run Saturday.*



*Runners get plenty of hydrating liquids. Here a runner passing the halfway mark receives his choice of water or Gatorade.*



*A runner closes in on the finish line during the 8th U.S. Army 10-Miler Saturday.*

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## Driver reacts to bus fire

By David McNally

Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN GARRISON** — A U.S. Army shuttle bus returning from Incheon International Airport caught fire June 2.

While the fire totally destroyed the bus, the Korean Service Corps driver reacted promptly to evacuate passengers and to contact the authorities.

"We're just glad that no one was injured," said Area II Deputy Director of Logistics John Wright. "Some things are irreplaceable."

The bus driver showed great presence of mind in pulling the bus over and evacuating the personnel onboard as safely and quickly as possible, Wright said.



To Un-ki

At about 8:15 a.m. Bus driver To Un-ki said he smelled something out of the ordinary.

"I pulled the bus to the side of the road, and then turned my engine off," he said. "I told my two passengers to get their bags and exit the bus."



The interior of the 44-passenger bus is completely gutted by fire June 2 on the way back from Incheon.

The fire started at the rear of the bus, in the engine compartment, he said.

The driver attempted to put out the flames with a fire extinguisher, but it soon became apparent the fire was too big.

To said he was astonished when he saw the fire, and was determined to put out the flames as soon as possible.

"I called the Yongsan Transportation Motor Pool and waited for the fire trucks to arrive," he said. "The fire spread from the rear to the front, totally engulfing the bus."

The fire occurred while the bus was on the 40-kilometer stretch of highway connecting the airport to Seoul. The driver said there was little traffic on the road at the time. By 8:30 a.m. four Korean fire

trucks had arrived at the scene and began to extinguish the fire.

"This was another example of the partnership we have with the Koreans," Wright said. "The Korean firefighters responded quickly and professionally."

The two American passengers waited a safe distance away from the bus, until another shuttle bus stopped and took them to Yongsan.

By midday, a Yongsan TMP wrecker went to retrieve the bus.

The \$80,000 2001 Hyundai Aero Space LS was one of four such buses in service in Area II. Officials said the other buses were immediately inspected to rule out a systemic problem.

"I was relieved nobody was hurt," said

Area II Transportation Specialist Yu Chin-yong. "Mr. To is a good driver."

Yu said all the drivers do safety training and conduct daily preventive maintenance checks and services, or PMCS. The process is a systematic check, where drivers perform maintenance before, during and after any type of movement.

To has been a Yongsan bus driver for about three years. He drives shuttles to Incheon and K-16 Air Base. To started work as a laborer with the 9th KSC Company seven years ago.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

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Hours after the fire, a Yongsan wrecker crew recovers the bus.



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The charred bus stands empty on the side of the Incheon Airport Highway.

## American Red Cross thanks Area II volunteers for service

By David McNally

Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN GARRISON** — The American Red Cross recognized Area II volunteers June 1 with a Dragon Hill Lodge luncheon.

"Volunteering has many rewards," said ARC Korea Hub Manager Ahava Martin. "Volunteers work along with the paid staff to help keep the beat of the Red Cross alive."

Martin said volunteers help the organization to thrive and succeed in providing services to the community.

There are seven principles the ARC adheres to as an organization: Humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity and universality.

"Each one of these principles is displayed by our volunteers," Martin said.

Commander of U.S. Forces Korea/Combined Forces Command/United Nations Command Gen. B.B. Bell thanked Martin for her leadership and continued service. Bell presented Martin with a special recognition award from the ARC.

"I look at the future," Bell told her. "I hope that you will be our leader and mentor for many years in the future."

Bell also thanked special advisor to the ARC Donna Coggin.

"The Red Cross could not function over here, or

for that matter anywhere, unless people and their organizations were giving in their hearts and with their pocketbooks," Bell said. "We have been blessed with this marvelous organization literally through thick and thin."

Special recognition went to Catherine Moug, for the Armed Forces Emergency Services Award (Level I); Lynn Gregory, for Health and Safety Award (Level II); and Doris Yanger and Capt. Jayme Hansen, for Good Neighbor Award.

More than 133 Yongsan volunteers donated nearly 13,000 hours of their time over the past 12 months, providing \$189,000 in services in the community.

Yongsan volunteers perform services such as:

- Instruct Red Cross cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, first aid and baby-sitting courses.
- Assist in the Red Cross offices as receptionists and caseworkers.
- Work in volunteer leadership positions.
- Serve throughout the 121st General Hospital as lab technicians, nurses, pharmacists and administrative assistants.

In the past 12 months, over 1,200 people have been trained in lifesaving skills such as first aid, CPR, and water safety.

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## Summer bowling league strikes Yongsan Lanes

By Jennifer Jackson

Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN GARRISON** — Want a new and innovative way to have fun this summer? The newly created Adult and Youth Bowling League may be the answer.

The Area II Yongsan Bowling Center is offering a new summer league, the Adult and Youth Doubles League. Last summer the youth league only involved youth, but this year the bowling center decided to create a new league for both youth and adults.

Parents or guardians or even family friends can participate in the new league.

"This is an opportunity for parents to participate in a competitive event with their children," said Yongsan Youth Bowling Coordinator and Tournament Director Tom Bruce. "There will be a trophy for first place doubles team at the end of the summer league."

Because of a high transition of military families to Korea during the summer months, the new league will help new families to be introduced to the types of facilities on base. The league is also a great way for incoming

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## NEWS & NOTES

### Community Policing

The summer emphasis is community-based policing using DARE and bike patrols. These patrols will be mobile throughout community housing areas from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. The mission is to improve community relations and enforce regulations throughout these areas. The patrols will also be monitoring protective equipment for bicyclists, skateboarders and joggers.

### Culture Tour

K-16 Air Base and Moyer Community Services Center will offer a tour of the Insadong shopping district and Changdeok Palace. The tour starts 10:30 a.m. June 17. Sign up at the the K-16 Community Activities Center, or Moyer CSC.

### Seoul USO Happenings

■ The Seoul USO, along with AAFES Yongsan, will be sponsoring a Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament. Preliminary rounds will take place June 17 at the Yongsan Main Exchange, and July 4 at the Yongsan festivities. Preliminary winners will receive a \$25 Army and Air Force Exchange Service gift card, lodging and transportation to the finals. The grand prize will be a trip to Jeju Island. Register at the USO, or at <http://www.uso.org/korea>.

■ Purchase Metalica tickets at a five percent discount at the Seoul USO

■ There will be a Canteen special Monday and June 26 at the Seoul USO. Active-duty servicemembers can have a meal at the Canteen for only \$1.

■ The Good Neighbor Program needs volunteers to have fun June 29. Spend the day with Korean school children, have lunch and go bowling. Call the USO Camp Kim to sign up.

### Bowling Clinic

There will be a middle school/teen bowling clinic from 3-5 p.m. July 3-7 at the MP Bowling Center. For information, call 738-4557.

### Basic English Class

Learn basic English grammar 11 a.m. - noon Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Army Community Services Outreach Center at Hannam Village. For information, call 723-6810.

### Computer Club to Meet

The next meeting for the Seoul Computer Club is 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Seoul USO at Camp Kim. The topic for the meeting will be a demonstration of Microsoft Producer. There will be free food and door prizes. For information, e-mail [seoulcomputerclub@gmail.com](mailto:seoulcomputerclub@gmail.com).

### Case Worker Needed

The Yongsan American Red Cross is looking for a part-time, after-hours case worker. Interested U.S. citizens may apply for this paid position. For information, call 738-3670.

### Area II Web site

For up-to-date news and information, visit the Area II Web site at <http://area2.korea.army.mil>.

## June Jamboree hooks up kids, volunteers

By Cpl. Lee Yang-won

Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN GARRISON** — Area II kicked off its June Jamboree at Yongsan Field No. 5 to give special-needs children a day of fun June 2.

About 140 children participated in the event, an Exceptional Family Member Program designed to help children.

The program supports children by providing one-on-one relationships with volunteers during a day of varied activities.

With 280 volunteers, EFMP Manager Alexander Carter said this was one of the best jamborees ever.

"This year we had a lot of families out there participating, rather than just the kids enrolled in the program," he said. "That made it into a great family day."

Carter said it was great to see so many parents participate.

"It helps me to build relationships with parents for future issues," he said. "They know who I am."

"It's an opportunity for us to provide some entertainment for these kids," said Area II Commander Col. Ron Stephens during his remarks at the opening ceremony at Yongsan Field No. 5. "This is just another way of taking care of the community."

The festival, Stephens said, gives a family a great time, and from the kids' prospective, it is a chance to enjoy different kinds of activities they couldn't in the past.

"The June Jamboree is also a way

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PHOTOS BY CPL. LEE YANG-WON

Children participate in activities June 2 during the 20th "June Jamboree." The event is an Exceptional Family Member Program designed to help special-needs children.



Above: Special-needs children spend June 2 with volunteers and family.

Right: Children enjoy swimming pool games at the South Post Pool during the jamboree.



## SAHS JROTC cadets receive scholarships, awards

By Isabel Chang

Seoul American High School

**YONGSAN GARRISON** — Seoul American High School's 24th Annual Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Awards Ceremony commenced under brilliant skies May 25. About 165 Falcon Battalion cadets marched onto the athletics field as the audience looked on from the stands.

Graduating senior cadets made a sweep of 41 Army, 18 Air Force, 2 Navy, and 2 Marine Reserve Officers' Training Corps Scholarship Awards.

Seoul American High School students received \$5.5 million worth in ROTC scholarships. Many of the cadets were multiple scholarship winners from various colleges.

Three cadets received and accepted appointments to the United States Military Academy at West Point, one cadet received and accepted an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy, and one cadet received and accepted an appointment to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. The school is reputed to have one of the world's best ROTC scholarship programs, directed by Lt. Col. (Ret.) Donald Hedgpath, SAHS Senior Army Instructor. The



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Seoul American High School cadets receive awards May 25 at Falcon Field.

program's consistent annual statistics of scholarship awardees is unrivaled.

This year's reviewing officer was Col. Scott Donahue, executive officer to the Commander of the United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/U.S. Forces Korea, and proud father of Cadet Jenna Donahue, and three other children. The Falcon Battalion was led by Commander Cadet Col. Colleen Cullen and by Host Commander Cadet Lt. Col. Isabel Chang. Months of preparation became evident as the cadets demonstrated unrivaled proficiency in drill and ceremony while the reviewing party weaved in and out to inspect the battalion.

Forty five cadets received various awards for accomplishments ranging from academic to athletic to cadet excellence at the local and national levels. Representatives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Veterans, Sergeant Majors' Association and others honored cadets with their presence and direct presentation of the awards.

Another Falcon Battalion accomplishment was the return of 20 cadets from a successful completion of the week-long Primary Leadership Development Course at Camp Jackson.

Donahue made closing remarks for the awards ceremony that praised the excellence of the Falcon Battalion and urged cadets to press forward in their personal development as capable individuals. These collective efforts will ultimately carry on the triumphs of this longstanding battalion, he said.

"The mission of the JROTC program is to motivate young men and women to be better Americans," Donahue said. "It is not intended for high school students to simply complete a four-year program, go to college, and receive an immediate commission as a military officer. JROTC is a program that will better prepare and benefit students for life."



# Yongsan BOSS hits the beach for summer fun

By David McNally

Area II Public Affairs

**SUNG JUNG BEACH** — More than 800 Soldiers “took the beach” at the 2006 BOSS Beach Blast in Busan.

Better Opportunities for Single and unaccompanied Soldiers organizes the event each summer.

This year, 160 Area II Soldiers participated.

“It’s our largest BOSS event of the year,” said KORO BOSS Program Manager Robert Lattanzi.

Soldiers had to pay for accommodations and transportation and some meals. Sunday, the Korea Region Morale, Welfare and Recreation BOSS office sponsored a “Beach Barbeque” with all kinds of beach activities.

“There’s been a lot of good feedback,” Lattanzi said. “The Soldiers had a fabulous time.”

“This was my first Beach Blast in my six years in Korea,” said Staff Sgt. Daniel Roman. “It was awesome.”

Roman is the 8th U.S. Army BOSS representative. “I have never liked long bus rides, but if I should have gone before,” he said. “It would have given me better perspective of BOSS and Korea.”

Roman said everybody he spoke with was very satisfied.

“It was the party of the year in Korea,” he said.

Lattanzi said organizing the blast was



*Soldiers try not to drop a water balloon during a relay race during the 2006 Beach Bash.*

a collaborative effort between unit BOSS representatives and MWR advisors. “They partnered among each other to make it a success,” he said.

Soldiers also competed in basketball, softball, dodge ball and bodybuilding and karaoke contests hosted by Chinhae Naval Base MWR.

Event sponsors gave away a free television, hotel stays, dinners and airline tickets.

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*A tug-of-war is not the only event June 4 at Sung Jung Beach in Busan. Soldiers participated in a body building contest, karaoke and held a beach barbeque during the 12th annual event.*



*Single and unaccompanied Soldiers from across Korea compete in beach volleyball.*



*Soldiers proudly display the logo for this year’s event.*





DAVID McNALLY

Yi U-nan works for the Installation Management Agency, Korea Region Office.

## Korean employee receives 'Author of the Year' award

### Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN GARRISON** — Army officials recognized a Yongsan employee as “Author of the Year.”

Yi U-nan from the Installation Management Agency, Korea Region Office, was named Fiscal 2005 Resource Management Author of the Year.

Yi wrote an article, “Suggestion Program Enhances Quality of Life and Mission Readiness,” that was

published in September/October 2005 issue of Public Works Digest.

In the article Yi described the Suggestion Program as an “opportunity for an individual to help his or her installation, community and unit.”

Further, she detailed the steps individuals interested in the program should take in order for their suggestion to receive the best chance of being adopted.

## League

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families to socialize and to interact with other members of the Yongsan community.

The league is also an opportunity for parents and their children to be involved and to have a great bonding experience during the summer months, Bruce said.

The league, a 12-week program

during the summer months, started Saturday and runs until Aug. 27. The league will meet at 3 p.m. every Sunday (except June 11 and 18) at the Yongsan Bowling Center.

For information and sign up information, visit the Yongsan Bowling Center or call at 723-7830 or 723-7938.

## Jamboree

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of marketing the EFMP,” Carter said. “It lets parents know that special-needs service is available in the community.”

Carter said the event will establish a network regarding issues with special-needs children and seek coordination with parents.

At Collier Field House, the children played different games and activities with volunteers, and later got to swim at the outdoor pool near Seoul American High

School.

“I came here mainly for my son,” said Col. Ben Williams. “He’s one of the special-needs kids at the elementary school here so I came here to be his battle buddy today.”

The event shows the children in the Exceptional Family Program how wonderful they are and the value they bring to the community, Williams said.

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# Options available for divorcing, separating couples

By Capt. Christofer T. Franca

Area IV Client Services

*“I’ve heard that I can’t get a divorce while I’m stationed here in Korea.”*

*“I know that you can’t do a Separation Agreement for me, but what guidance can you give me if I want to get separated from my spouse?”*

These are examples of a common theme encountered at Client Services for Area IV. To help inform servicemembers about their legal rights and the services available through peninsula-based legal offices, let’s address some of the most frequently asked questions:

**Q:** Can I get a divorce while I am stationed in Korea?

**A:** Yes.

That is the simple answer. However, like anything, for the simple answer to be realized, there are exceptions, rules and procedures that must be first considered. It is the responsibility of the Legal Assistance Office to help Soldiers or their spouses through this process, and to discover if the Soldier or his/her spouse has the option of filing while being stationed in Korea.

Each person should know that divorces are handled by individual states, and each state will have a different set of rules. Perhaps the most relevant rules for Soldiers and spouses to consider when contemplating a divorce are: 1) What state has the authority to hear the divorce; and, 2) How long the divorce process lasts from start to finish.

**Q:** Where can I file my divorce?

**A:** In order for a court to hear a divorce, the state must have jurisdiction. This means that the court must have the authority to hear a divorce between the parties. The state of legal residence is the best place for someone contemplating a divorce to file their paperwork, even if

the marriage was not in that state.

The most general rule regarding a court’s authority to hear a divorce states that either of the parties to the perspective divorce shall have been a legal resident of that state for at least 180 days immediately prior to filing the divorce.

**Q:** How long will it take me to get divorced?

**A:** This depends upon the state. In Michigan, for example, the minimum mandatory waiting period is 90 days. However, in Oregon, the minimum mandatory waiting period is 30 days. Some states allow the parties to waive the mandatory waiting period, and in some states the mandatory waiting period can extend for up to two years.

**Q:** That’s all fine and good, but how do I get a divorce if I’m in Korea?

**A:** In order to get a divorce while stationed in Korea, the Soldier or his/her spouse must be confident that the divorce will be uncontested. Uncontested means that the parties to the divorce agree on everything, including property distribution, custody of minor children, retirement benefits, etc. Where a divorce will be uncontested, the parties to the divorce can represent themselves. By representing themselves, it is not necessary for the Soldier or his/her spouse to hire a lawyer.

In that case, the Soldier or his/her spouse should come into the Legal Assistance Office and seek guidance about the paperwork needed to file for and finalize their divorce. If a State requires the parties to appear in court to finalize their divorce, then the Soldier or his/her spouse, with the help of the Legal Assistance Office, can at the very least start the process.

That being said, where a couple has been married for a long period of time, over 10 years, and has accumulated

a significant amount of property, whether it is real property (like a house or land) or personal property (like cars and appliances), and it appears that the parties will not be able to agree on certain topics, then it might be in that person’s best interest to seek legal representation in the state where they are filing for divorce.

However, even if legal representation will be required, a Soldier or his/her spouse can still file for divorce representing themselves, with the help of the Legal Assistance Office, and later hire a lawyer to continue the process and finalize the divorce.

**Q:** Well, what if we don’t want a divorce, but we want to formalize our separation?

**A:** Then the best bet is to get a separation agreement.

**Q:** Can the Legal Office help me with that?

**A:** Yes. The Legal Assistance Office for Area IV will prepare separation agreements for Soldiers or their spouses. The separation agreement is a formalized agreement stating the rights and responsibilities of the parties during the period of separation. It can include property division, financial support, retirement benefits, child custody, or just about anything the parties care to include.

**Q:** If I have a separation agreement can I have an intimate relationship with another person?

**A:** No. The separation agreement is an agreement between the parties to live separately, but it does not legally separate the parties for the purposes of establishing other intimate relationships. If a Soldier has a sexual relationship before getting divorced by a court of law, they are committing adultery and he/she can be prosecuted under UCMJ Article 134.

For information, contact your installation legal assistance office.



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**X-Men III: The Last Stand** -- (Hugh Jackman, Patrick Stewart)  
The continuing adventures of the superpowered group, the X-Men, led by Professor Xavier, and based at his school for gifted students, as they try to foster good will for mutants like themselves, in a world where some people are born with extraordinary powers, and many ordinary humans fear them for it.



**Take the Lead** -- (Antonio Banderas, Rob Brown)  
A former professional ballroom dancer volunteers at a New York public school to teach dance. The hip-hop instincts of his students soon clash with his ballroom methods, so he teams up with them to create a new style of dance. Eventually the students trust him and he becomes their mentor.



**Goal! The Dream Begins** -- (Kuno Becker, Stephen Dillane)  
As an underprivileged Mexican-American immigrant growing up in the poor section of Los Angeles, Santiago Munez seemed destined to follow his father's path in life: laboring at menial jobs to earn just enough money to support his family. Naturally gifted, his amazing talent on the soccer field was wasted in recreation league games while he could only dream of playing on the world stage of professional soccer.



**The Da Vinci Code** (Tom Hanks, Jean Reno)  
The murder of a curator at the Louvre reveals a sinister plot to uncover a secret that has been protected since the days of Christ. Only the victim's granddaughter and Robert Langdon, a famed symbologist, can untangle the clues he left behind. The duo become both suspects and detectives searching for not only the murderer but also the stunning secret of the ages he was charged to protect.



**Lucky Number Slevin** -- (Bruce Willis, Morgan Freeman)  
Set in New York City, a case of mistaken identity lands Slevin in the middle of a war being plotted by two of the city's most rival crime bosses: The Rabbi and The Boss. Slevin is under constant surveillance by relentless Detective Brikowski as well as the infamous assassin Goodkat and finds himself having to hatch his own ingenious plot to get them ... before they get him.



**Poseidon** -- (Kurt Russell, Richard Dreyfuss)  
When a rogue wave capsizes a luxury cruise ship in the middle of the North Atlantic Ocean, a small group of survivors find themselves unlikely allies in a battle for their lives. Preferring to test the odds alone, career gambler John Dylan ignores captain's orders to wait below for possible rescue and sets out to find his own way to safety.

AAFES THEATER	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
LONG 721-3407	Goal: The Dream Begins PG-13	No Show	She's the Man PG-13	Stay Alive PG-13	No Show	No Show	No Show
OSAN 784-4930	Mission Impossible III PG-13	Mission Impossible III PG-13	X-Men III PG-13	X-Men III PG-13	X-Men III PG-13	X-Men III PG-13	Lucky Number Slevin R
RED CLOUD 732-6620	The Da Vinci Code PG-13	Lucky Number Slevin R	Lucky Number Slevin R	Take the Lead PG-13	ATL PG-13	No Show	X-Men III PG-13
STANLEY 732-5565	Lucky Number Slevin R	Take the Lead PG-13	Lucky Number Slevin R	Take the Lead PG-13	No Show	X-Men III PG-13	Lucky Number Slevin R
YONGSAN I 738-7389	X-Men III PG-13	X-Men III PG-13	X-Men III PG-13	Lucky Number Slevin R	Lucky Number Slevin R	Take the Lead PG-13	Take the Lead PG-13
YONGSAN II 738-7389	X-Men III PG-13	X-Men III PG-13	Ice Age 2: The Meltdown PG	Stay Alive PG-13	Stay Alive PG-13	Stay Alive PG-13	Stay Alive PG-13
YONGSAN III 738-7389	X-Men III PG-13	Nanny McPhee PG	Ice Age 2: The Meltdown PG	She's the Man PG-13	She's the Man PG-13	V for Vendetta R	V for Vendetta R



# Fatherhood carries unique, sacred responsibilities

By Chaplain (Maj.) Kenneth R. Harris  
501st Sustainment Brigade

Sunday, June 18, 2006, is Father’s Day. As the father of three (Kenneth, 17, Kendall, 14 and Kendric, 8) I, like many fathers stationed in the Republic of Korea, realize the importance of my role as a father. Fatherhood is a concept that implies tremendous responsibility and commitment to spiritual leadership.

In fact, many in our armed forces and secular society today desire to become fathers, but few embrace the responsibilities that it encompasses. Quite frankly because someone of the male gender has the physical capabilities to impregnate a female doesn’t, in itself, qualify him as a father. Neither does reaching

the chronological age of 18 or 21 years.

A father is mature spiritually, mentally, emotionally, financially and physically when he embraces his holistic responsibilities and all that it entails. He may be 21 or he may be 40. Still, he wisely works to take care of his family. And he heartedly embraces his duties as a father with love for his God, wife, children, work and friends.

A father’s actions speak volumes. He’s always aware that his children could one day imitate his behavior. So, he prayerfully tries to model appropriately. As a father, he demonstrates appropriate affection for his wife before his children. He allows his children to witness his outward

display of love for his wife and his dedication for family and work.

His values, feelings and beliefs are important to him. People who are employed along side him know of his love for his God, wife, children and job. This is primarily because he speaks of them always. As a father, he is consumed with being the very best christian husband, father, servant of God and employee possible.

Although there have been many challenges for which I have been trained and educated, there has been no greater challenge than my role as a father.

There are varying degrees of challenge in being a father of three sons — both through the different stages of each child’s life cycle, as

well as through my own. Consequently, the meaning of fatherhood for me embraces certain beliefs, feelings, attitudes, values and emotions. Therefore the following, according to Claude L. Dallas Jr., are some suggestions that I agree with for strengthening fatherhood:

- Initiate a father’s or men’s fellowship group at church. Let the members determine the format, meeting times and activities.
- Have a “family circle at the table” time. The first time, ask each family member to share ways in which you can be a better parent.
- Place your family on your calendar. Schedule time alone with each family member, and have a “Happy Fathers Day 2006.”

Area IV Worship Services											
Protestant								Catholic			
Collective	Sunday	10 a.m.	Camp Carroll	Church of Christ	5 p.m.	Camp Walker		Mass	Sunday	9 a.m.	Camp Walker
		10:30 a.m.	Camp Henry	Collective	Friday	7 p.m.	Camp Walker	Mass	Sunday	9 a.m.	Camp Hialeah
		10:30 a.m.	Camp Walker			7 p.m.	Camp Carroll	Mass		11:45 a.m.	Camp Carroll
		10:45 a.m.	Camp Hialeah	Korean	Tuesday	7 p.m.	Camp Carroll	Mass			
		12:45 p.m.	Camp Walker	Korean	Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Camp Walker	Mass	Saturday		Camp Walker
		1 p.m.	Camp Carroll	Korean	Thursday	11 a.m.	Camp Hialeah				
			Praise & Worship	Sunday	6:30 p.m.	Camp Walker		For additional information, contact the installation chaplain's office.			

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# Coming of age in Korea



Pfc. Andrew Day is the youngest participant in the coming of age ceremony.

By F. Neil Neeley

Area III Public Affairs

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** - Two Humphreys Soldiers and one airman joined 28 Korean airmen from the 7th ROK Air Force Air Communication Service Group in a coming of age ceremony held at the Pyeongtaek Etiquette Education Center May 15.

Spc. John Friend, 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion, Pfc. Andrew Day, 557th Military Police Company, and Tech. Sgt. Michael Kron, 607th Combat Communications Squadron, each donned traditional Korean costumes for an elaborate ritual signifying their coming of age.

"The coming of age ceremony has its roots in Confucianism," said Cho Su-ha, director of the Pyeongtaek Etiquette Education Center. "In former times, a boy's coming of age was celebrated at 15 but now it is at 20."

Cho explained that the purpose of the ceremony is to educate youngsters who become 20 years old about their responsibility and identity as an adult.

"During the ceremony the parents sit at the right side of the ceremonial place and observe," Cho said. "Two helpers assist each participant with a tea ceremony and costume changes. Each participant



Spc. John Friend is helped with one of three costume changes; each one representing a change of social status.

changes robes and hats three times. Each costume change represents a change in social status."

An elder presides over the ceremony reading from a scrolled text. Each candidate is asked to repeat portions of the scroll at different intervals during the ceremony.

Since the ceremony was entirely in Korean, the youngest American, the 21-year-old Day, had some trouble following the rituals and had to be gently coached by his two helpers. "I was very confused," he said. "I've never experienced anything like this before. It was fascinating."

Friend was better able to follow along with the ceremony because he speaks some Korean.

"I think it's a great opportunity to experience Korean culture," he said. "Usually foreigners can view a ceremony like this but they have no opportunity to participate. So this is a very special and unique thing for me. Now I feel that I have the responsibility of an adult on my shoulders."

At the end, each new adult is presented with a certificate bearing his new name.

"Each individual's name speaks something about their character," said Yu Pom-tong, Area III community relations officer. "It's important for you to take your own name seriously and live up its promise."

Yu explained that after a coming of age ceremony, a boy is shown the respect of a man and is even spoken

to differently. "He's no longer talked down to as you would a child," he said.

Yu laments that the old ways are often lost on Korean youth. "You don't see this kind of ceremony much nowadays," he said. "That's too bad; we ought to share that sort of spiritual asset with our sons and daughters."



Tech. Sgt. Michael Kron eats a rice cake during the tea ceremony.



Spc. John Friend is surrounded by helpers and an elder, (left) during the tea ceremony.

PHOTOS BY F. NEIL NEELEY



The elder reads ceremonial text with the aid of his helpers.





### Army Birthday 5K Run

Eighth U.S. Army will sponsor a 5K run in celebration of the Army's 231st birthday. The event will begin at Collier Field House, Yongsan Garrison, June 16. Registration will take place 7:30-8:30 a.m., with the race beginning at 9 a.m. Road guard vests are required for all participants. Free T-shirts will be awarded to the first 300 finishers.

### Area II Pool League

The Area II Pool League is seeking new members. The group meets at 7 p.m. each Tuesday at the Main Post Club, Harvey's Lounge and the Navy Club -- all on Yongsan Garrison. Membership is open to any ID cardholders, family members, retirees, Department of Defense civilians or contractors and individuals sponsored by ID cardholders. For information, call Brent Abare at 723-3691 or e-mail abareb@korea.army.mil.

### Win a Trip to the States

Participants may win a round-trip ticket to the United States, or an LG laptop computer, simply by registering in MWR's RecTrac at any sports and fitness, recreation center, arts & crafts center or automotive skills center. For information on RecTrac or the drawing, call 723-3730.

### Swim Instructor Sought

A Child and Youth Services swim instructor is being sought for the Yongsan area. The job is a NF-03 position with a salary ranging from 26K-34K per year. Applicants must submit resume and NAF application DA Forms 3433-1 and 3433-2. Additionally, local applicants in Korea must complete a Local Applicant Questionnaire. Resumes may be sent via e-mail to resume\_naf@korea.army.mil. For information, call 738-2311.

### Junior Golf Instruction Offered at Sung Nam

Sung Nam Golf Course has announced their Junior Golf Instruction Program for Summer 2006. The program is open to junior golfers and those interested in learning the game from ages 7 to 17. Instruction times and dates are 9 to 11 a.m. each day, June 26-30. The location is Yongsan Driving Range (June 26 and 27) and Sung Nam Golf Course (June 28-30). The instructors are all "Class A" members of the PGA of America and equipment will be provided to those without. The program is offered at no charge. For information, call Jim Shaw, PGA, Sung Nam GC assistant general manager, at 736-3483.

### TMCW Submissions

To have an event featured in The Morning Calm Weekly, e-mail information to morningcalmweekly@korea.army.mil.

# Marines, sailors share time with ROK counterparts, 'good neighbors'

By Navy Journalist 1st Class David McKee  
Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Korea Public Affairs

**POHANG** – U.S. Marines and sailors at Camp Mujuk, Pohang, hosted a barbecue May 5 to share time away from work with their Republic of Korea counterparts and neighbors.

More than 100 people took part in the barbecue relaxing, playing horseshoes, chess and "Hacky Sack®."

"The purpose of this barbecue is to simply get away from the work section for an afternoon and enjoy chatting with some of our Korean neighbors; an afternoon of sunshine, good chow, camaraderie, and relaxation," said Marine Lt. Col. Mark F. Giorno, Camp Mujuk officer in charge.

The participants included Korean security guard personnel, Pohang chief of police and police officers, firemen from Pohang Fire Station, city council members and camp employee's concessionaire and their families. Students from the Camp Mujuk staff English classes, along with many children were present to celebrate the Korean national holiday Children's Day."

"The locals that attended seemed to appreciate the fact that we want to be considered as friendly neighbors of theirs," Giorno said. "The Marines



Camp Mujuk Officer in Charge Marine Lt. Col. Mark F. Giorno serves grilled steaks May 5 to Pohang City police officer at a "Good Neighbor" picnic.

and sailors need this type of thing to break up their routine and unwind. Seeing one another in an informal setting decreases the stresses caused by the high 'op tempo' that often exists at the camp, especially during exercises."

For U.S. Marine Sgt. Woo-hyun Choe the barbecue was a chance to relax and to stay in touch with people he is too busy to see on a daily basis.

"It was a good opportunity to

acquaint ourselves with others on the camp who we rarely interface with, like the Korean security guards, and show them we care about them and consider them part of the Mujuk team," Choe said. "We should do more things like this. It was a good morale lifter."

Camp Mujuk falls under U.S. Marine Forces Korea and consists of Marines on temporary duty from host units in Okinawa.



PHOTOS BY SENIOR AIRMAN DARNELL CANNADY

## Fear Itself

Soldiers and airmen stationed at Kunsan Air Base recently put their courage to the test during the two-day 2006 Kunsan Fear Factor. Modeled after a television game show, contestants faced their fears in a variety of physical challenges and by eating distasteful items.

At Left: Spc. Jesse Moore, Battery D, 2/1 Air Defense Artillery Brigade, carried a fire hose through an obstacle course during the "fireman's challenge" portion of the competition.

Above: Airman 1st Class Ryton Hitzel, 8th Logistics Readiness Squadron, sinks his teeth into a helping of liver. While contestants on the NBC's "Fear Factor" vie for cash prizes and national exposure, locals faces their fear simply to satisfy their love of a challenge ... and liver.





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Chief Warrant Officer Scott Maxwell (left) and Chief Warrant Officer Dave Mozden, both maintenance test pilots with Company C, 2-52nd General Aviation Support Battalion, pre-flight check a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter prior to a maintenance test flight.



Lt. Col. Kubica challenged each and every company to match the 1,000 day record.

that to go over a thousand days with no mishaps -- that is very impressive and I'm proud to be part of that," he said.

Army Regulation 385-40 defines a Class A accident as one in which the resulting total cost of property damage is \$1 million or more; an Army aircraft or missile is destroyed, missing, or abandoned; or an injury and/or occupational illness results in a fatality or permanent total disability.

A Class B accident is one in which the resulting total cost of property damage is \$200,000 or more, but less than \$1 million; an injury and/or occupational illness results in permanent partial disability, or when five or more personnel are hospitalized as inpatients as the result of a single occurrence.

A Class C accident is one in which the resulting total cost of property damage is \$10,000 or more, but less than \$200,000; a nonfatal injury that causes any loss of time from work beyond the day or shift that it occurred; or a nonfatal occupational illness that causes loss of time from work (for example, one work day) or disability at any time (lost time case).

Although the milestone was achieved May 2, the streamer was not presented until the safety stand-down day.

## Aviation unit lands safety recognition

By Susan Barkley

Area III Public Affairs

### CAMP HUMPHREYS –

Company C, 2-52nd General Aviation Support Battalion, was recognized June 2 for going over 1,000 days without a class A, B or C accident when Lt. Col. Scott L. Kubica, commander, 2-52nd GAS Bn., added a streamer for safety excellence to their guidon during a safety stand-down day.

In remarks, Kubica challenged each and every company to match the 1,000 accident-free days.

"There's no doubt in my mind that you can achieve that," he said. "It's being alert and paying attention to detail that allows us to go a thousand days with less than a D."

Kubica said he would like to give a streamer to every company in the battalion.

"The milestone isn't going for a certain time accident free, the milestone is to prevent all accidents," said Maj. Brian D. Almquist, commander, Co. C, 2-52nd Bn. "I think this is a great achievement and it really represents what the young Soldiers and first line supervisors are doing day-to-day to make sure they focus on safety."

Almquist credits the Soldiers for

"making smart decisions day-to-day to ensure that we don't have accidents.

"It's nothing I'm doing. It's nothing that any other leader is doing. It's the young Soldier that's sitting there making the right call when we're out flying a mission and saying 'hey, that's not safe. We need to change that'," he added.

Chief Warrant Officer Bryan E. Boyd, Co. C aviation safety officer, said achieving 1,000 accident-free days is a total unit commitment from the most junior private to the commander.

"The commander sets the example and holds people accountable," he said.

Co. C is the dust-off unit and as such, often has injured or sick patients in the aircraft. They also fly on short notice and in "less than favorable weather conditions," said Almquist. "It takes the involvement of the entire crew and the entire team to make sure that we continue to stay safe."

Spc. David Forrester Black Hawk mechanic crew chief, Co. C, 2-52nd GAS Bn., said "We earned this award by doing maintenance by the book and having Delta Company there whenever we needed them.

Delta Company does all of the unscheduled maintenance and some of the scheduled that we can't do. It's between us and them to keep this place going and safe."

Chief Warrant Officer Andy Kellaway, a maintenance test pilot with Co. C, said the flying in Korea is more hazardous than normally encountered in the United States due to numerous wires, the terrain and limited visibility year round.

"What that award means to me is



Spc. David Forrester performs a daily maintenance check under the cowl of a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter.



## NEWS & NOTES

### Directorates Moving to Zeockler Station

The Area III command group and several directorates have either already moved or are scheduled to move to Building 1280. There may be times when personnel are not available by phone, please be patient. The moving schedule is as follows:

Already moved to Building 1280 The Safety Office, Directorate of Resource Management and Plans, Analysis and Integration Office, and MWR have relocated. Moving today – Public Affairs Office.

Moving Monday – Area III Command Group, Camp Humphreys Officer of the Day, Directorate of Emergency Services.

Moving Tuesday – Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security.

Phone numbers for offices and directorates moving into building 1280 will change to the prefix 754 effective with the move. For example, the staff duty number will be 754-6111 effective Monday.

Personnel clearing any of these directorates must plan accordingly.

### Anti-Terrorism Exercise Scheduled

Area III will be conducting an Antiterrorism Exercise at Camp Humphreys June 20–21. The installation is expected to go to Force Protection Condition Delta for a period of time on at least one day during the aforementioned time period. Access to the installation will be limited and some services may be closed.

### Freedom Field Off-Limits

Freedom Field will be OFF LIMITS through July 31 for seeding and turf building.

No activities are currently being scheduled for the field.

### Osan American High School Registration

School Registration is still available at Osan American High School. Visit the Web site at [http://www.osan\\_hs.pac.dodea.edu/school/registration.htm](http://www.osan_hs.pac.dodea.edu/school/registration.htm) or contact Dong Hee Kelley at 753-8274.

### Do You Want to Kick the Habit?

A four-session tobacco cessation class is offered 3-4 p.m., each Tuesday in June at the education center. Call the health promotion coordinator at 753-7657 to register for class.

### Area III News & Notes

To advertise an item in the Area III News & Notes section of The Morning Calm Weekly, call 753-8847 for submission requirement.

## Gyeonggi Province hosts Humphreys Soldiers

By Susan Barkley

Area III Public Affairs

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** - Seventy people from Area III were the guests of Gyeonggi Province May 26 for a tour of some of the cultural assets of the province. Soldiers, civilians and family members first drove to Icheon to view the Jinro Ltd. soju factory that manufactures 3 million bottles of soju each day.

Following lunch, the group headed to the International Ceramic Exposition where they had a chance to make their own hand- and wheel-thrown pottery.

The last stop was the Korean Folk Village near Suweon where the customs and lifestyles of past generations of Koreans, including life during the Joeson Dynasty, have been faithfully reproduced.

After a bulgogi dinner and transportation back to Camp Humphreys, the participants were eager for their next taste of Korean culture.

Contact the Community Relations Office at 754-7652 for information on opportunities to experience the culture of your host nation.



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(clockwise from top) Staff Sgt. Cynthia Cargile, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Area III Support Activity, gets a pottery making lesson; Master Sgt. Dennis Robidoux, Department of Plans, Training Mobilization and Security, has a food fight with his Korean meal; A stone statue stands watch in the Korean Folk Village; SA soju bottle washing machine at the Jinro Ltd. soju factory.

## Long/Eagle newcomers tour Wonju



PHOTO BY F. NEIL NEELEY

Joe Bell, (right front) deputy commander, Wonju enclave, explains how to use Korean taxis to a recent newcomers' group. The next newcomers orientation at Long/Eagle will be June 16. Newcomers will be given a tour of downtown Wonju, complete with a lesson on using public transportation and a complimentary meal in a Korean resteraunt. For information, call Diana Bordenski at ACS, 721-3665.



# Art knows no language barriers



PHOTO BY SUSAN BARKLEY

(from left) Col Michael J. Taliento Jr., Area III commander, Yu Pom-tong, Area III community relations officer, Master Yi Hey-song, master monk at Doseon temple, and his attendant admire student's artwork.



PHOTO BY F. NEIL NEELEY

Pfc. William Woeger, 568th Medical Company, admires the children's artwork displayed in the Humphreys' Community Activity Center. Mounting the exhibit at the CAC gave Camp Humphreys Soldiers a chance to see the talent of local students.

By Susan Barkley

Area III Public Affairs

**CAMP HUMPHREYS**—About 75 people gathered at Cheongdam Lifetime Cultural Center, adjacent to Cheongdam High School May 24 to open a unique art show comprised of 375 entries from students at Humphreys American Elementary School, Osan Middle and High Schools, ShinHan High School and Cheongdam students.

In opening remarks, Col. Michael J Taliento Jr., Area III commander, said the exhibit provided a chance to “celebrate the beauty of our children’s imagination.”

The project was organized by Dong Hee Kelley, Area III School Liaison Office, who said the Korean schools were very positive and welcomed the project.

She hopes this is the first of many joint projects that may expand to include workshops in the U.S. schools, joint music performances and sports events.

Pyeongtaek city support was shown by the participation of Min Yeon-suk, wife of Song Myeong-so, Pyeongtaek mayor, Bae Yeon-suk, vice chairman of the Pyeongtaek City Council, Kim Hak-kyu, director of the Office of International Exchange Affairs. Other guests included educators, businessmen, and Master Yi Hey-song who founded Cheongdam School in 1975. Yi is the master monk at Doseon temple near Seoul.

The exhibit was on display at Cheongdam High School until May 31 and was then transferred to the Camp Humphreys Community Activity Center for display that ended Sunday.

Lee Keun-woo, director of Cheongdam Lifetime Cultural Center, said he was very honored to host this first official event in the cultural center.

Lee said the door to the cultural center is open to all Soldiers and family members and he plans to sponsor cultural activities including classes in traditional Korean music and dance.



PHOTO BY SUSAN BARKLEY

Performers from one of the traditional music classes wait to perform during opening ceremonies at Cheongdam Lifetime Cultural Center.

## Area III railhead: Then and Now

By Command Sgt. Maj. Robert Frace

Area III Support Activity

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** – In 1953 United States Forces Korea acquired over 1.7 acres of land adjacent to the Pyeongtaek railroad station for use as a railhead. The railhead was used for multiple purposes to support logistics and training of units on the Korean Peninsula.

The area had minimal space and facilities to conduct major movements, but it was used quite extensively in the past. The Quonset huts adjacent to the fenced area of the railhead provided work space and living areas for the members of the 138th Branch Movement Control Team, part of the 25th Transportation Theater Control Movement Agency (now the 25th Transportation Battalion Movement Control). The Quonset huts were used until the 1999-2000 timeframe.

In 1987, additional facilities were constructed that included expanded loading and marshalling areas and a 60-ton fixed ramp to support rail operations. The

BMCT continued to process movement requests and to issue train tickets from their compound, and worked closely with the installation to support and manage the facility.

The Korean National Railroad requested that the existing load ramp and office be demolished and relocated 100 meters north in 1999 to accommodate new rail lines. With the support of the Ministry of National Defense and the KNR, construction of a new office and a new 85-ton fixed ramp began in February 2003 with a completion date of June 2004. This construction was funded by the Korean National Railroad Authority and has given USFK an extended capability to perform all railhead missions within the area.

Today this facility is fully operational and provides units the opportunity to train servicemembers on railhead operations. In the future with the transformation of forces on the peninsula to Area III, there will be a larger railhead operation that will support forces for onward integration and training



PHOTO BY F. NEIL NEELEY

The railhead compound in Pyeongtaek features a ramp permitting vehicles to drive right up to the level of railcars for easy loading and unloading of materials.

missions.

Stay tuned for more Camp Humphreys history as we build the future of Camp Humphreys and USFK.



## USFK commander visits Daegu enclave

By Steven Hoover

Area IV Public Affairs

**CAMP HENRY** – With a title like United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Forces Korea commander, it's evident that Gen. B. B. Bell has a great deal of territory to cover.

To better acquaint himself with the "places and faces" of Area IV, Bell, who took command of UNC/CFC/USFK Feb. 3, made his first visit in that capacity to the Daegu enclave May 31.

Bell, along with his wife Katie, spent about five hours touring various organizations on camps Henry, Walker and George. He was also accompanied by Brig. Gen. H. T. Landwermeyer, Installation Management Agency Korea Region Office director, and UNC/CFC/USFK Command Sgt. Maj. Barry C. Wheeler and his wife Pat.

They were escorted by Area IV Support Activity Commander Col. Donald J. Hendrix, who said "it [the visit] was a great opportunity for the community to show Gen. Bell what we are about and how we all come together to support one another."

The tour began at Camp George, with stops at the Child Development Center and Taegu American School.

"I think the visit went well," said Hyacinth Smith, CDC director. "[Gen. Bell] asked a lot of questions and gave a lot of positive comments about our facility. He and Mrs. Bell seemed to enjoy interacting with the children. He also had a chance to talk to a couple of the parents who were picking up their children. He is very supportive of Child Development Services and wanted to make sure that we have what we need to run our program."

After spending time at TAS speaking with students, teachers and administrators, Bell's traveling party headed over to Camp Walker where they toured School Age Services and the Middle School/Teen Center.

In a turn of usual events, Mark Burton, acting director for Child and Youth Services, presented Bell with a coin from the Boys and Girls Clubs of America.



PHOTOS BY STEVEN HOOVER

*Gen. B. B. Bell, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Forces Korea commander, plays catch with Kyra Karstens at the Child Development Center located on Camp George, during his visit to the Daegu enclave May 31. Kyra is the daughter of Maj. Chris and Laurine Karstens, 19th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary).*

"I thought it might be a nice twist on his visit," Burton said. "Most of the time, when dignitaries visit they are usually the ones handing out the accolades. Since I had met him before in Germany, I thought giving him a memento from this trip was the right thing to do."

After being briefed on the happenings, current and future, with Youth Services, the visitors headed to the Evergreen Community Club for lunchtime meetings with members of unit family readiness groups, the Hangul Spouses Association and the Camp Walker/



*Gen. B. B. Bell, UNC/CFC/USFK commander, takes time out during a tour of Army Community Services to speak with Pfc. Brandi Devasier, assigned to the 188th Military Police Company.*

Henry Better Opportunities for Single and unaccompanied Soldiers Council.

At Camp Henry, the contingent toured Detachment C, 516th Personnel Service Battalion, and then finished the day at Army Community Service.

"This is the first opportunity I've had to come look at this community from the inside out," Bell said, "and, the first thing I will tell you is that this is a terrific community of dedicated patriots, volunteers and employees, all pulling together to be successful here in this great area of Korea."

Bell also said that he "understands that there are challenges in this community. There are fiscal challenges – making sure they have enough money to meet all of the requirements – and, there are installation and facility challenges, in terms of the quality of the facilities that we afford our families, youngsters and servicemembers."

"I took a lot of notes," he added. "I'm going to take those back with me to the headquarters at Yongsan and go to work on all the issues, so that this community down here can have a better experience in an environment where I think they are already doing a terrific job."

## CSCT #2 members recognized by Korean '4-star'

By Galen Putnam

Area IV Public Affairs

**SECOND REPUBLIC OF KOREA ARMY COMPOUND, Daegu** – Soldiers, civilian employees, contractors and even family members across the peninsula receive accolades for their contributions. It is rare, however, for USFK Personnel to receive the "four-star treatment" from a Korean flag officer.

That's exactly what happened when two officers from Combat Support Coordination Team #2 were honored during a ceremony featuring a Korean military band and formation of more than 250 ROK Soldiers here June 1.

Lt. Col. Kevin D. Lefever, deputy commander, and Lt. Col. Gene Maisano, intelligence chief, received certificates of appreciation from Gen. Kwon Young-ki, Second Republic of Korea Army commanding general, who hosted the event. The certificates commended the duo for their "dedicated service and commitment to excellence (that)

provided invaluable assistance in the development of Rear Combined Operations System for the Second Republic of Korea Army."

Lefever is on his way to U.S. Army Reserve Command at Fort McPherson, Ga., and Maisano is headed to the Pentagon.

"It is amazing to have six formations

of ROK troops out here for a presentation from a four-star general," Lefever said. "It shows that SROKA really does appreciate what we do for them as far as coordination, translation, helping them understand American culture and how our military operates."

Also receiving a certificate of



GALEN PUTNAM

*Lt. Col. Kevin D. Lefever (left) and Lt. Col. Gene Maisano, both from Combat Support Coordination Team #2, salute Gen. Kwon Young-ki, Second Republic of Korea Army commanding general.*

appreciation, but unable to attend the ceremony, was Maj. Patricia Socha. Recognition ceremonies have been held at the compound on a monthly basis to honor ROKA soldiers, but last month was the first to include American servicemembers. Receiving a certificate in May 2005 was Maj. Mike Trombley.

"This is an opportunity for the SROKA commander to recognize the U.S. folks in his organization. Even though we are Team #2, we are really part of SROKA," Maisano said. "It is truly an honor to be recognized by the commanding general of SROKA."

CSCT #2 is a multi-composition, joint and combined organization. The unit's mission is to provide the coordination link between Combined Forces Command, United States Forces Korea, SROKA and the service components; to facilitate U.S. combat, combat support and combat service support, operational planning and execution during armistice; to provide key command staff sections with linkage to the SROKA and the Combined Rear Area coordinator; to support the Combined All Source Intelligence Center during contingencies and hostilities with a focus on reception, staging, onward movement and integration and force protection.



## NEWS &amp; NOTES

**516th PSB Closed**

Detachment C, 516th Personnel Services Battalion, will be closed 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Wednesday, and all day June 16 due to participation in the 231st Army Birthday Celebration activities at Camp Walker. The Identification Card Section and In and Out Processing will remain open normal hours. For information, call 768-7910.

**Army Birthday Ball Thursday**

Members of "Team Daegu" are invited to celebrate at the 231st Army Birthday Ball, starting with a social at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Inter-Burgo Hotel in Daegu. All military community members are welcome. Military dress is: mess dress/dress blue or class A uniform with white shirt and bow tie. Formal attire for civilians is required. Tickets are \$45. For information or to purchase tickets, call Sgt. Maj. Louis Velez at 768-6322 or Sgt. Maj. Carey Grant at 768-8363.

**AAFES Bazaar Scheduled**

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service's Concessionaire's Bazaar will be 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. June 17 – 18 at Kelly Fitness Center on Camp Walker. For information, call Chong Chu-yong at 768-7383 or 011-9859-1213.

**WO Recruiting Team**

A Warrant Officer Recruiting Team from Headquarters, U.S. Army Recruiting Command, will be in Daegu to brief interested Soldiers regarding qualifications and application procedures to become warrant officers. At Camp Carroll, the team will be at the Education Center, Bldg. 236, June 19 – 21. June 22 – 23, the team will be at the Camp Henry Education Center, Bldg. 1840. Briefings will begin at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. daily at both sites. For information, call Staff Sgt. Marleen Rosalie at 768-7154.

**Nutrition Ed Classes**

Two nutrition-related classes, "Nutrition Basics" and "Exercise and Dining Out Smart" will be taught 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. June 28, in Bldg. 1131, behind Camp Henry Army Community Service. The classes are open to all active-duty Soldiers and are mandatory for those enrolled in the Army Weight Control Program. For information, call Maj. Juanita Glass at 764-4819.

**Facilitators Course**

The Area IV Equal Opportunity team will conduct a "Consideration of Others Facilitators Course" June 19 – 23 at the Camp Henry Education Center. The course is open to both U.S. and Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers in the rank of sergeant or higher. The course is designed to help units address human relations concerns. The course will equip selected personnel with the knowledge and skills to conduct training in their sections or units. For information, call Master Sgt. Sandra Gaston at 768-8972 or 010-3040-4348.

# PAS: School's out – forever

## End of an era at Camp Hialeah

By Kevin Jackson

Area IV Public Affairs

**CAMP HIALEAH** – A 46-year era of Department of Defense Dependent Schools education at this cozy southernmost U.S. Army installation in the Republic of Korea symbolically ended with the extinction of two candles at 2:43 p.m. June 2 in the Pusan American School gym by the eldest and newest graduates of the school.

Camp Hialeah will close this summer causing the school to also shutter its doors. An elementary school opened at Camp Hialeah in 1960, the first on any U.S. Army installation in the ROK. DoDDS added a high school in 1967, replacing old Quonset huts with the existing facility in 1983.

PAS Principal Keith Henson opened the ceremony by acknowledging the community as a close-knit family. He praised his staff for its motivation and dedication in the wake of the impending closure, before turning his attention to the students.

"They do everything," he said. "They work to fulfill academic goals. They participate in journalism and organized events, performing plays and celebrations in recognition of our history and the diversity of our country that has made it great, in fundraising for good causes, and supporting our greater community for people who need more than their society often can provide them, and they play sports, all sports, whether they want to or not."

His praise of the students was followed by thunderous applause that resonated off the walls of the warm and dimly lit gymnasium. Henson continued by lamenting the significance of education and his feelings about the occasion.

"PAS is closing, but it is not dying," he said. "Every one of us will take what is great about our experience with us. We'll plant the seeds of our lives here (but) wherever we go (we will) keep the spirit of Pusan American School alive."

DoDDS Korea District Superintendent Charles Toth took a moment to present a gift to Lt. Col. Roger Dansereau, the Camp Hialeah garrison commander, who promised the community to keep post facilities open through the school year. Toth then turned his attention to the faculty.

"I asked you to focus on students, I asked you to focus on curriculum, I asked you to focus on instruction I asked you to be innovative and creative in how you collaborate with each other to cross-



KEVIN JACKSON

Senior Jeni Smith and Karl "K.C." Cain, a member of the class of 1971, blow out candles symbolizing the closure of Pusan American School during a ceremony marking the school's closure June 2.

curricular areas to extend the learning experiences for your students," he said.

"I asked you to let us worry for you about what it was going to be like for you beyond Pusan American School. I can tell you today that you've accomplished that mission."

Dr. Nancy Bresell, the DoDDS-Pacific director who flew in from Okinawa, Japan, for the ceremony, praised the faculty for reaching out to the community as volunteers, friends and citizens. She also acknowledged the "bittersweet" nature of the ceremony.

"On one hand there is kind of a feeling of celebration, but on the other hand, you're looking at your years here in Busan knowing that this is the end of that particular road. But the laughter, the

learning and the friendships that you have experienced here will never be forgotten. You can take those with you everywhere you go. Just like the education you received, no one

can ever take away the fond memories that you have of your time here at this school," she said.

Bresell encouraged the students, alumni and faculty to use the Overseas Brats and the American Overseas School Historical Society websites to keep in touch with one another.

A litany of readings followed the dignitaries' remarks, including the school history, poems composed by students in the 7th-grade creative writing exploratory class and by members of the senior class, and letters and e-mail from abroad composed by alumni and former faculty. Each graduating senior participated in the ceremony.

While the impending closure of Camp Hialeah will prevent junior Kristina Sagstetter from becoming only the tenth known student to complete kindergarten through 12th grade at PAS, her classmates had a surprise up their

sleeves. She was called in front of the audience and draped in a cap and gown of blue and gold, the colors of the PAS Panthers, as Henson enthusiastically pronounced her an honorary graduate.

The mood throughout the 95-minute ceremony was upbeat, but turned noticeably somber during the reading of "Remember," a poem composed by the lone female in the senior class.

"I want to remember what's important – the smiles – the laughs – the friendships. Past all the academia, I want to remember the people and smile upon that memory," said Jeni Smith, as she choked back her emotions while tears filled her eyes. Seconds later she regained her composure and continued, "At this place I call home, at this place I love to learn, at this place where I grew up, at this place that's served its term, at Pusan American School."

Smith presented a bouquet of flowers to Nancy Magoon, a history and AVID teacher, for her many years as the senior class advisor and for her nurturing of the students. Magoon in turn gave the 2005 Far East Tennis Tournament Singles Champion banner to James Edwards and the mixed doubles tennis championship banner to Edwards and his sister, Mary. The banners had been on display at the school. The Camp Hialeah Women's Club presented a token of appreciation to the faculty for its commitment to the students and the community.

Finally, the PAS JROTC, which posted the colors for the ceremony, performed a saber salute and retired the colors. Smith and Karl "K.C." Cain, a member of the class of 1971, blew out candles symbolizing the closure of the school and the ceremony.

Cain flew in from San Diego, where he works for the U.S. Navy, to participate in the ceremony. It was his first time back to Korea. He was the eldest PAS alum to attend and was accompanied by his sister, Mary Ann



## Area IV Support Activity, 501st ROK Bde. sign partnership

By Cpl. Park Kwang-mo  
Area IV Public Affairs

**CAMP HENRY** – In a show of solidarity, the Area IV Support Activity and the Republic of Korea Army’s 501st Infantry Brigade, 50th Homeland Reserve Division, established a partnership agreement at a ceremony at the 501st Bde.’s Compound Friday.

Col. Donald J. Hendrix, Area IV Support Activity commander, and Col. Lee Yun-gyu, 501st Inf. Bde. commander, formalized the agreement.

“Today’s agreement is a conglomeration of our partnership, which has been established over the last 18 months,” Hendrix said. He also mentioned that both units’ joint involvement in training and social events paid great dividends.

The agreement reads as follows:

1. The partners to this agreement commit to a joint ceremony commemorating this initiative.
2. The partners to this agreement will engage in professional and social activities to strengthen the bonds of friendship and camaraderie, and the ROK – U.S. alliance.
3. The partners to this agreement resolve to host and sponsor activities that will foster professional development and enhance the skills of both units’ members.

“True alliance between two nations starts at a lower level,” Lee said. “Our voluntary partnership between regionally close units further strengthens and solidifies the relationship of two nations.”

Area IV Support Activity renewed the partnership with 501st Inf. Bde., that proclaimed a similar agreement with the former 20th Area Support Group, 19th Theater Support Command, in March 2001. As



CPL. PARK KWANG-MO

Chief Warrant Officer Brian E. Parrotte, commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Area IV Support Activity, displays his gong expertise with a Republic of Korea Army Samulnori group.

part of ongoing and advancing relationship, 20th ASG hosted a ROK – U.S. friendship event in December 2005 at Camp Carroll.

A “Civilian, Government, Police and Military Together” Day event, to enhance and to tighten the integrated defense posture of the Daegu community

marked the signing of the agreement. The event brought together more than 3,000 Daegu City residents including Mayor Cho Hye-nyung, representatives from each district, Women’s Reserve Battalions and Area IV Support Activity Soldiers for a day of sports and entertainment.

Six participants from Area IV Support Activity mingled with Daegu citizens, ROK Army soldiers and civic leaders. They also played a game of foot volleyball with 501st Inf. Bde. Soldiers.

“I was surprised how big an event it is compared to our friendship activity,” said Staff Sgt. Michael Carr. “Even though the foot volleyball game was different and not as easy as it looks, we had a wonderful time.”

“U.S. Soldiers seemed to struggle to toss the ball over the net because they’d never done this sport before,” said 1st Lt. Seo Chin-kyu, signal officer from the 501st Inf. Bde. “As they became accustomed to the game, they started enjoying the game, and that is, I believe, each partner should deal with the difference between us.”

The 501st Inf. Bde., initially activated in 1984 with nine battalions, currently consists of seven battalions, each of which defends a designated district of Daegu City. The peacetime mission is to conduct operations in preparation of local provocations, and to train and educate active and reserve forces. In wartime, the unit mobilizes to defend its Daegu Area of Responsibility, support reception, staging, onward movement and integration, and conducts the mission of Combined Rear Area Coordinator.

“It is the personal relationship that lets you gain meaningful insights to learn about our partners and their culture,” Hendrix said.

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## 16th MEDLOG Bn. greets new commander

By Galen Putnam

Area IV Public Affairs

**CAMP HENRY** – The 16th Medical Logistics Battalion welcomed a new leader as Lt. Col. Thomas C. Slade assumed command from Lt. Col. William E. Ackerman in a change of command ceremony June 2 at Kelly Field on Camp Walker.

Slade is arriving from Fort Detrick, Md., where he served as the executive officer of the 6th Medical Logistics Management Center.

Ackerman is departing for the 6th MLMC where he will take over as commander.

Slade earned a Bachelor of Science degree in health care administration from Eastern Michigan University in 1985. He enlisted in the Army and was commissioned in the Army Medical Service Corps through the Officer Candidate School in 1987.

His assignments include the 2nd Mobile Army Surgical Hospital, 34th Medical Battalion, Fort Benning, Ga., as the chief of supply and services. He deployed in this capacity in support of operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Upon return from Desert Storm, he took over as the unit's company commander.

After successfully completing command, he attended the Army Medical Department Officer's Advanced Course and then he participated in long-term civilian training at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, Mass., where he earned a Master of Science degree in technology management. He was then assigned to the United States Army Medical Materiel Agency at Fort Detrick, Md., where he served as chief of the Equipment Acquisition Division.

As the executive officer of the 36th Medical Evacuation Battalion, 1st Medical Group, Fort Hood,



Lt. Col. Thomas C. Slade

the director of the Materiel Acquisition Directorate. Following that, he served as commander, United States Army Medical Materiel Center – Southwest Asia in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

Slade's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Achievement Medal (with Silver Leaf Cluster), and the Expert Field Medical Badge. He is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit.

The 16th MEDLOG's published vision is "to be the premier medical logistics battalion in the U.S. Army. Provide world-class customer focused medical supply, optical fabrication, medical maintenance, and blood products support to joint forces in the Korean Theater."

The unit's mission is to "provide medical logistics support to U.S. Forces Korea and organizations located in the Korean Theater, to include functioning as the Single Integrated Medical Logistics Manager and Theater Lead Agent for Medical Materiel." The unit is home to the largest frozen blood products depot in the Pacific.

Texas, he deployed in support of Operation Joint Forge, providing combat health support throughout Bosnia, Croatia and Hungary.

Slade also served two years as chief of logistics at the 121st General Hospital, Yongsan Garrison.

In a subsequent tour at USAMMA he was

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who graduated the year after him.

"It's funny because coming over here during a 10- or 12-hour flight, I was wondering why I was doing it, but it's something after 35 years when you realize that some things don't change," he said.

Other alumni who reside in Korea knew exactly why they returned one last time.

"I felt compelled to come back because I spent my entire life here," said Ginny Miller, PAS class of 1998, who, along with her sister Sara (Class of 1994), attended the school from kindergarten through 12th grade. "My dad was a teacher here for 33 years so I had to come back to represent not only myself, but my whole family."

Miller's father Don left to teach at Lakenheath American School in England in 2004. He is a legend among the faculty and alumni for his passion for teaching, as well as the "shirt of shame." He required students who came to school inappropriately dressed to wear the Hawaiian-type shirt covered with Mickey Mouse and other Disney characters over their clothing.

The commencement ceremony for the 11-student graduating class will be held at 6 p.m. today in the Camp Hialeah Chapel. PAS will officially close its doors June 16, after which Magoon will mail a plethora of school memorabilia to the AOSHS in Wichita, Kan., where it will be preserved and displayed.

"It's a job that I never wanted to have," said David Clausen, the event organizer and a teacher who taught at PAS on three separate occasions for a combined 14 years. "I never wanted to have a closing ceremony for our school. We made an attempt to cover a lot of the years, a lot of the activities, to have a student-focused program because we are a very student-focused school. It's the proverbial bittersweet experience."

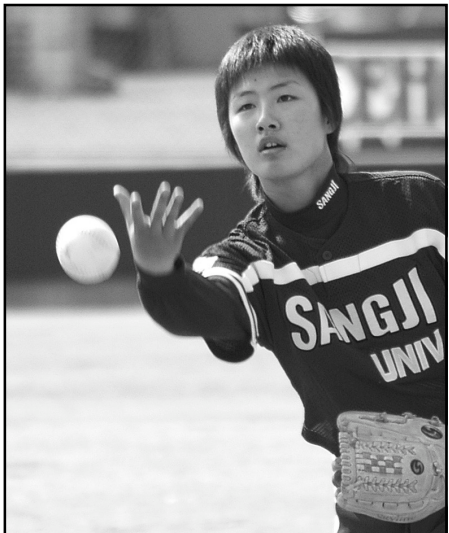
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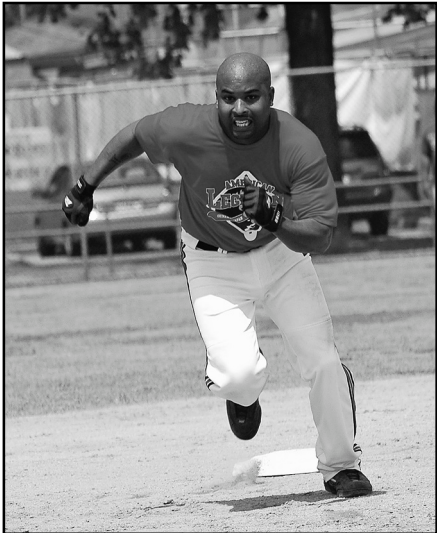


5월 26일 아메리칸 레전 팀 상대로 18 의무사 소속 캐리 맥킨리 선수가 타구를 시도 하고있다.

사진제공 상병 이왕원



5월 26일 상지 대학교 투수 최소라 선수가 카데나 펠콘을 상대로 공을 던지고 있다.



아메리칸 레전 팀 제비어 파라 선수가 홈을 향해 달리고 있다.

## 태평양 소속 소프트볼 대회 용산에서 열려

이병 윤지영  
제 2지역사 공보실

5월 26일, 800명에 가까운 태평양 지역소속 소프트볼 선수들이 멀게는 미국 노스 캐롤라이나주에서부터 용산 그린 경기장에서 열린 72 시간 느린투구 소프트볼 마라톤 대회에 참가했다.

이번으로 16번째인 태평양 전지역 소프트볼 대회는 토요일의 비오는 날씨로 잠깐 지연 되었지만 무사히 월요일에 마칠 수 있었다.

남자경기는 지난 게임 우승팀, “거즐러즈” 팀이 결승전에서 “히터스” 팀을 이기고 그들의 우수한 실력을 다시한번 과시했다.

여자결승은 “경복” 팀이 우승, “부산” 팀이 준우승을 하였다.

의욕, 복지, 레크리에이션의 회장인 비니 잭슨씨는 “경기가 아주 성공적으로 끝났습니다,” 라고 말했다. “날씨가 좋지 않았지만, 무사히 행사를 마쳤습니다.”

잭슨씨는 본래 스케줄보다 7시간 늦게 끝났다고 말했다.

잭슨씨는 “경기에 대한 열광이 대단했습니다,” 라고 말했다. “많은 팀들은 벌써 다음 해에 이루어질 경기 참가신청에 대해 말했습니다.”

아직 다음 해의 경기 등록에 말하긴 이르지만 잭슨씨는 더 발전된 경기 개최준비를 계획할 예정이라 했다.

그는 “5번 경기장에 조명을 설치할 예정입니다,” 라고 말했다. “조명을 설치하면 더 많은 야간경기를 할 수 있을 것입니다.”

제2지역 관계자들은 5월 26일 아침 8시30분에 롬바르도 경기장에서 개회식과 함께 토너먼트 경기에 참여하는 39개의 팀들을 환영했다.

잭슨씨는 “이 대회는 아주 인기 있는 행사 입니다.” 라고 말했다.

This story is about:  
Pacific-Wide Softball  
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## Learn Korean Easily

Single Consonants													
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The phrase of the week :  
“Mr./Ms. A, may I introduce  
Mr./Ms. B?”

A씨, B씨를 소개하겠습니다.

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Mr./Ms. A Mr./Ms. B may I introduce?

### Vocabulary

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다섯

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‘Dasoet’

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여섯

six

‘Yohsoet’

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### Situation of the week : meeting people

저 분은 누구니까?

Who is that?

Joe ‘ëËË; Bun-un nugumneekka?

제 아버지입니다.

This is my father.

Je abojee eeshimnida.

제 어머니입니다.

This is my mother.

Je omonee eeshimnida.

제 친구입니다.

This is my friend.

Je chingu eemnida.

성함이 어떻게 되십니까?

What’s your name?

Songhamee ottoke doeshimniakka?

( ) 입니다.

My name is ( ).

( ) innida.

### Korean Expression of the week

간이 크다/간이 부었다

Gany keuda/ Gany Bueotda

You have got a lot of nerve.